



# ***How Research and Development can Help Advance Distributed Generation***

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# Overview



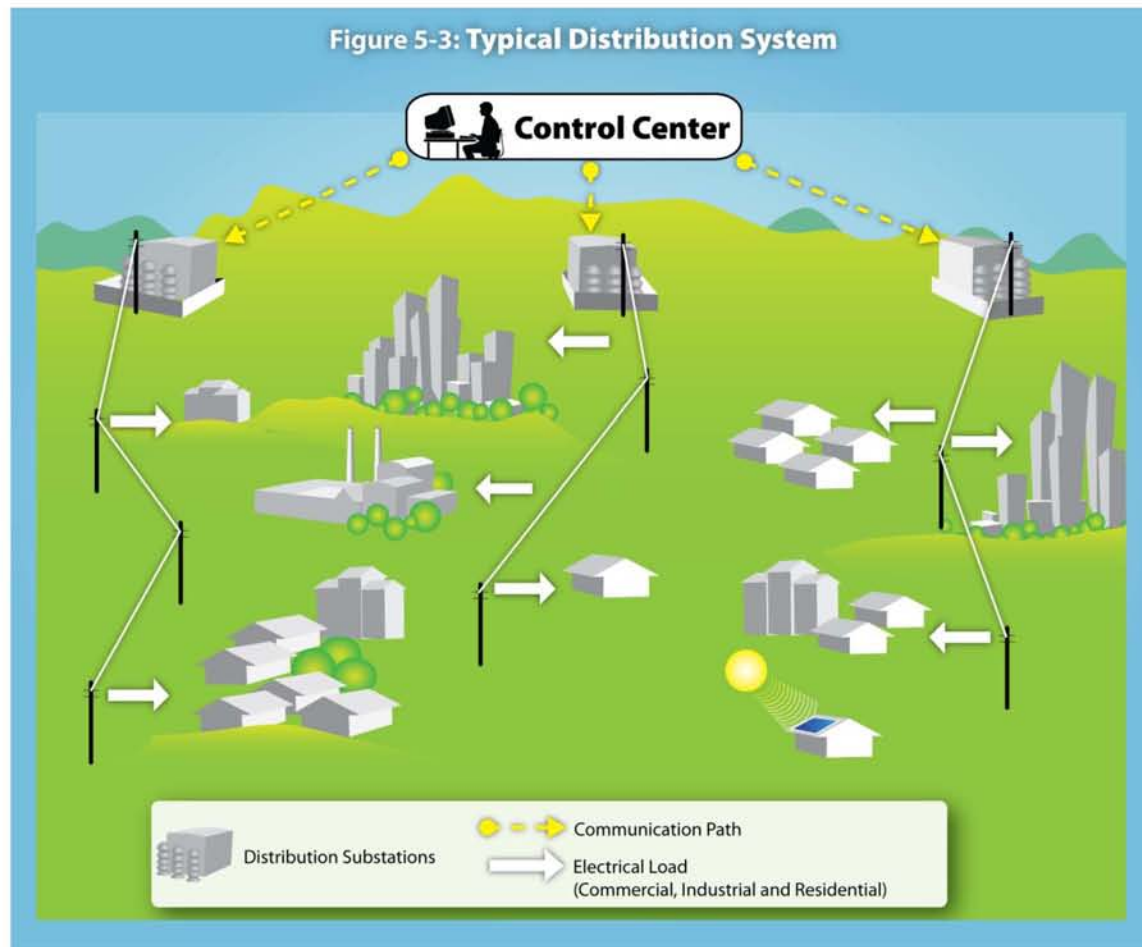
- Public Interest Energy Research (PIER) Program
- Active Research and Development Activities
- Future Research and Development Activities

# PIER Smart Grid Research Ongoing at all Levels



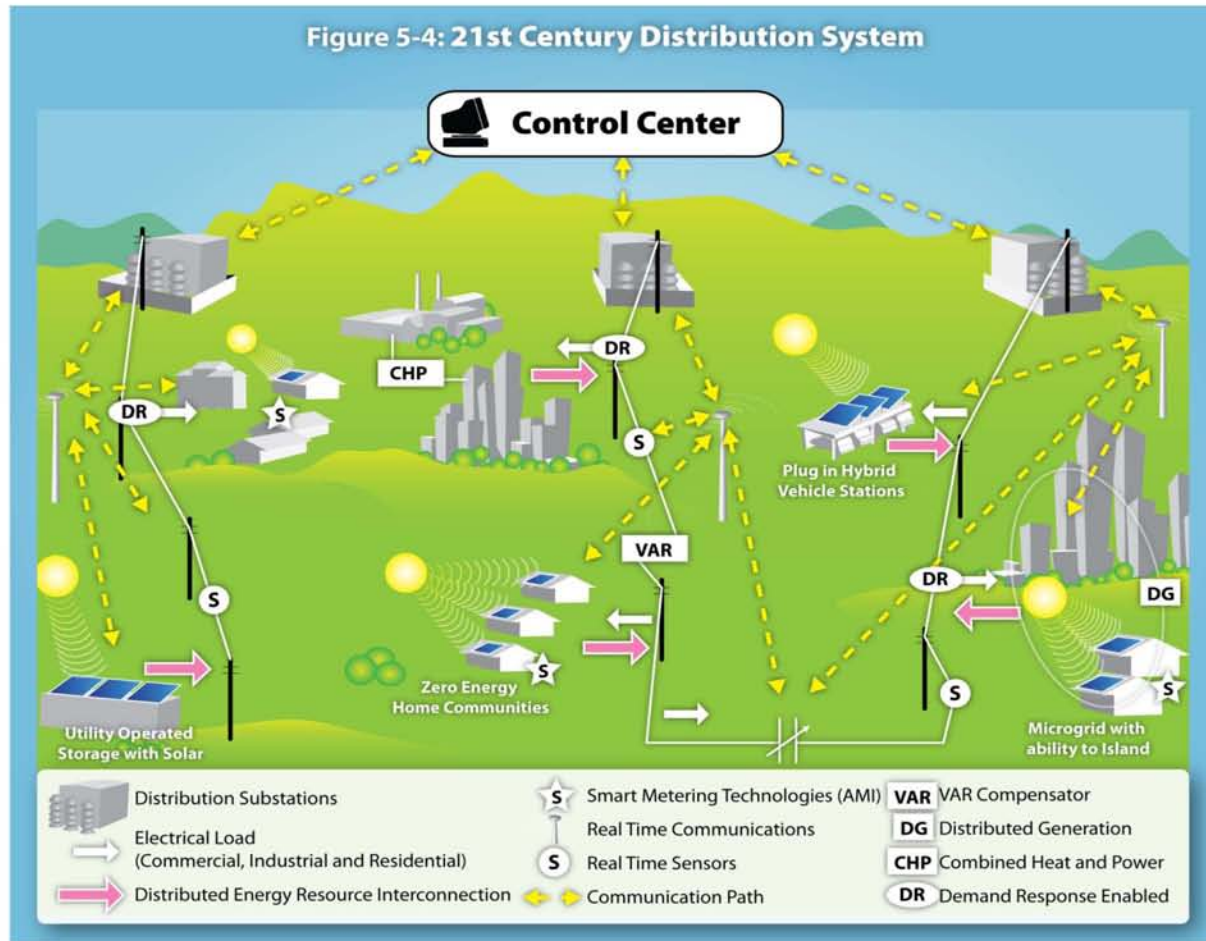
- Phasor Measurement
  - Advanced displays
  - Advanced comm & controls
  - MRTU interface
  - Energy Storage
  - Renewables
- Distribution Automation
  - AMI
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  - Standards
  - Protocols
  - Reference designs
  - Micro Grids
  - Automation
  - Energy Storage
- Automating Demand Response
  - AMI
  - Dynamic Rates
  - Home Area Networks
  - Plug in Hybrids
  - Renewables
  - Energy Storage

# Strategic View – Utility Grid of Today



Source: 2007 IEPR

# Strategic View: Utility Grid of the Future (Smart Grid)



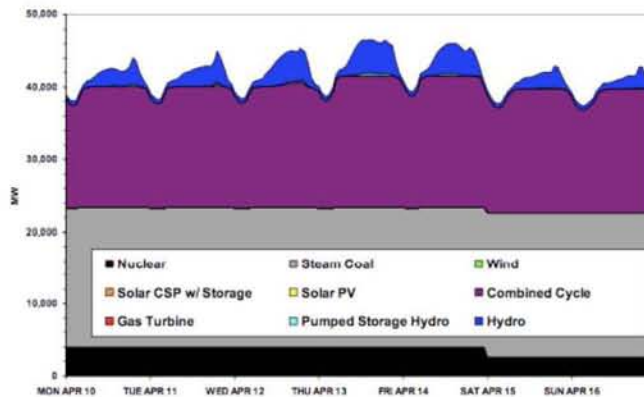
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# Future Grid Challenges

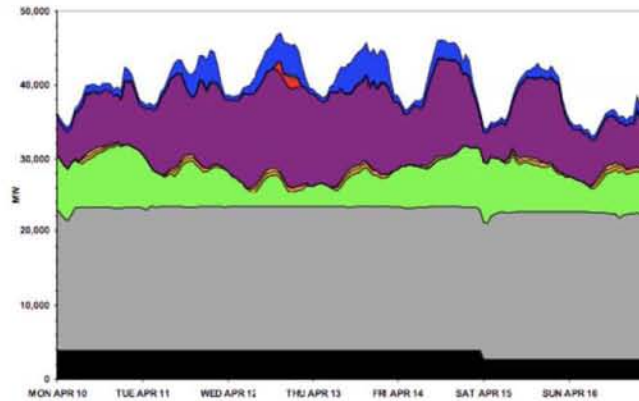


## OE - Variable Generation Affects Grid Operations

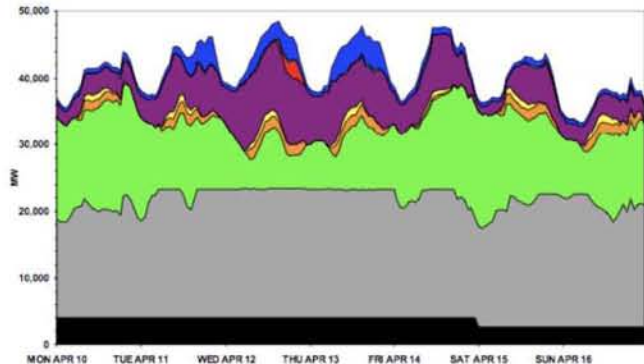
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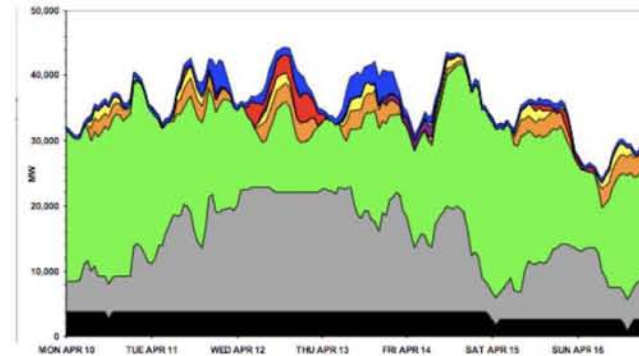
11% renewables



23% renewables



35% renewables



Lew et. al. "How do Wind and Solar Power Affect Grid Operations: The Western Wind and Solar Integration Study". National Renewable Energy Laboratory. (September 2009). p. 6





## 2013 Solar Ramps will be an issue to manage

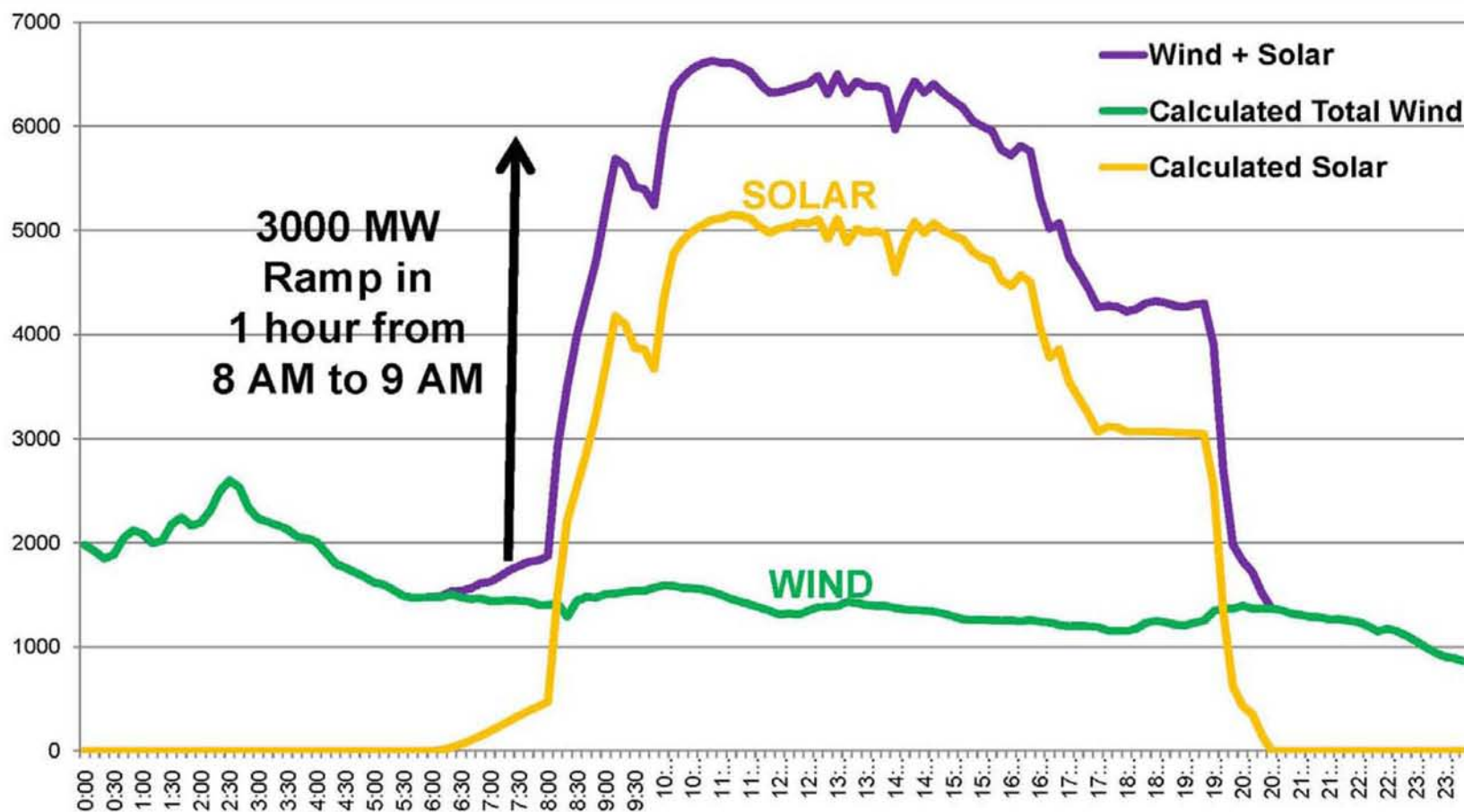


Chart based on March 2010 actual data and escalated to amount of renewables expected in 2013

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# General Approach

## TECHNOLOGY ELEMENTS



Underground  
Cables



Automated  
Metering  
Infrastructure



Phasor  
Measurement



Demand  
Response



Flywheel Energy  
Storage



Pole Top  
Transformers

## TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION

## SMART GRID

Research Focus on Developing & Improving Devices



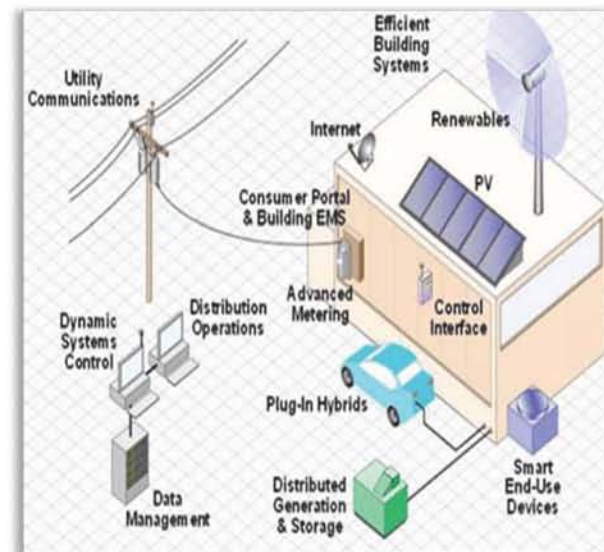
# General Approach

## TECHNOLOGY ELEMENTS

- Integration of renewables, PHEV's, and electric energy storage devices
- Grid more reliable and efficient
- Micro Grid scale research
- Partner with Utilities & National Laboratories

## TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION

## SMART GRID



Research Focus on Integration of Devices into a grid system

# General Approach

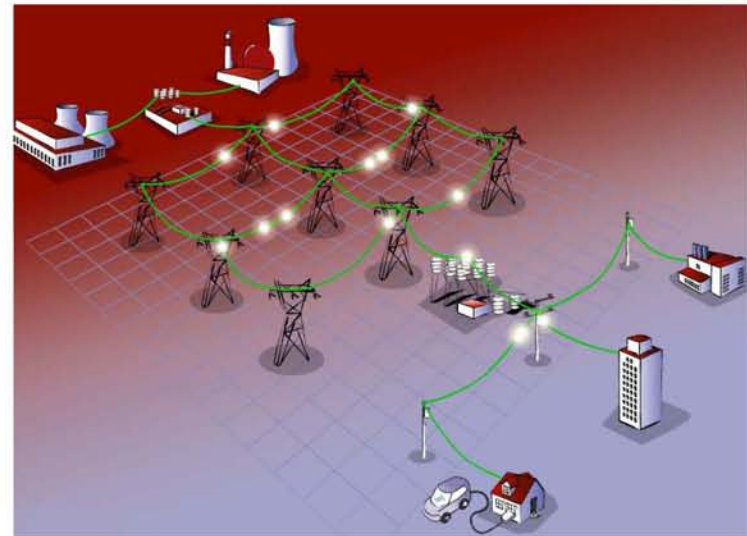


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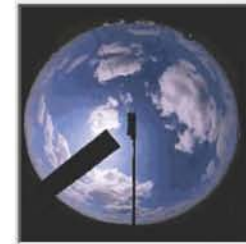
- Large scale integration of renewables to meet RPS goals (33%)
- Plug-in-Hybrid's/Electric Vehicle's
- Electric Energy Storage/Auto DR
- More Reliable & Efficient Grid
- Community & Multi-Utility scale project



Research Focus on Entire Grid System

# On-Going Research

- **Storage**
  - ✓ More than 12 projects (ARRA included)
- **Automated Demand Response**
  - ✓ Ancillary Service
- **Distribution Impacts**
  - ✓ Electric Vehicle Simulator
- **Forecasting**
  - ✓ Short term forecasting (less than 1 hour)



# On-Going Research

- **Microgrid Visibility to CAISO**
  - ✓ Providing operation oversight of a microgrid to CAISO
- **Electric Vehicle Integration**
  - ✓ DC Charging from PV (improved efficiency)
- **Distributed Electric Storage System**
  - ✓ DC charging of Storage System from PV (improved efficiency)
- **PV Clustering**
  - ✓ Determining best placement of storage to mitigate renewable impacts



# ARRA Smart Grid in California



## Total Project Value to CA - \$1.3 Billion

- City of Glendale Water & Power
- Modesto Irrigation District
- Burbank Water & Power
- City of Anaheim
- Electric Power Group (WECC sub-contractor)
- Pacific Gas & Electric (WECC sub-contractor)
- Sacramento Municipal Utility District
- San Diego Gas & Electric
- Honeywell International, Inc. (Headquarters in MA, work being done in Southern CA)
- Los Angeles Department of Water & Power
- Southern California Edison
- Boeing (Headquarters in MO, work being done in Sunnyvale and Huntington Beach, CA)
- Waukesha Electric Systems (Headquarters in WI, work being done in Irvine, CA)
- Primus Power
- SEEO Inc.
- Southern California Edison
- Pacific Gas & Electric
- Amber Kinetics
- Ktech Corp. (Headquarters in NM, work being done in Sunnyvale and Snelling, CA)
- Sacramento Municipal Utility District (sub-contractor to Premium Power, Headquarters in MA)



# Energy Storage Technologies Applying Smart Grid Technologies

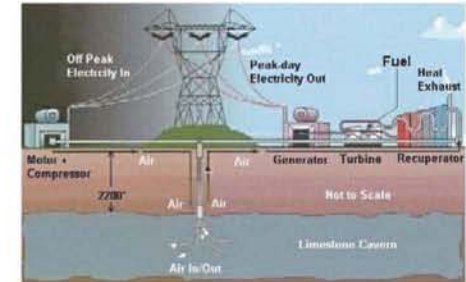


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# Demand Response Automation by Sector



## Communicating Thermostat



## Demand Response Automation Client



# DR as Spinning Reserve or Ancillary Service



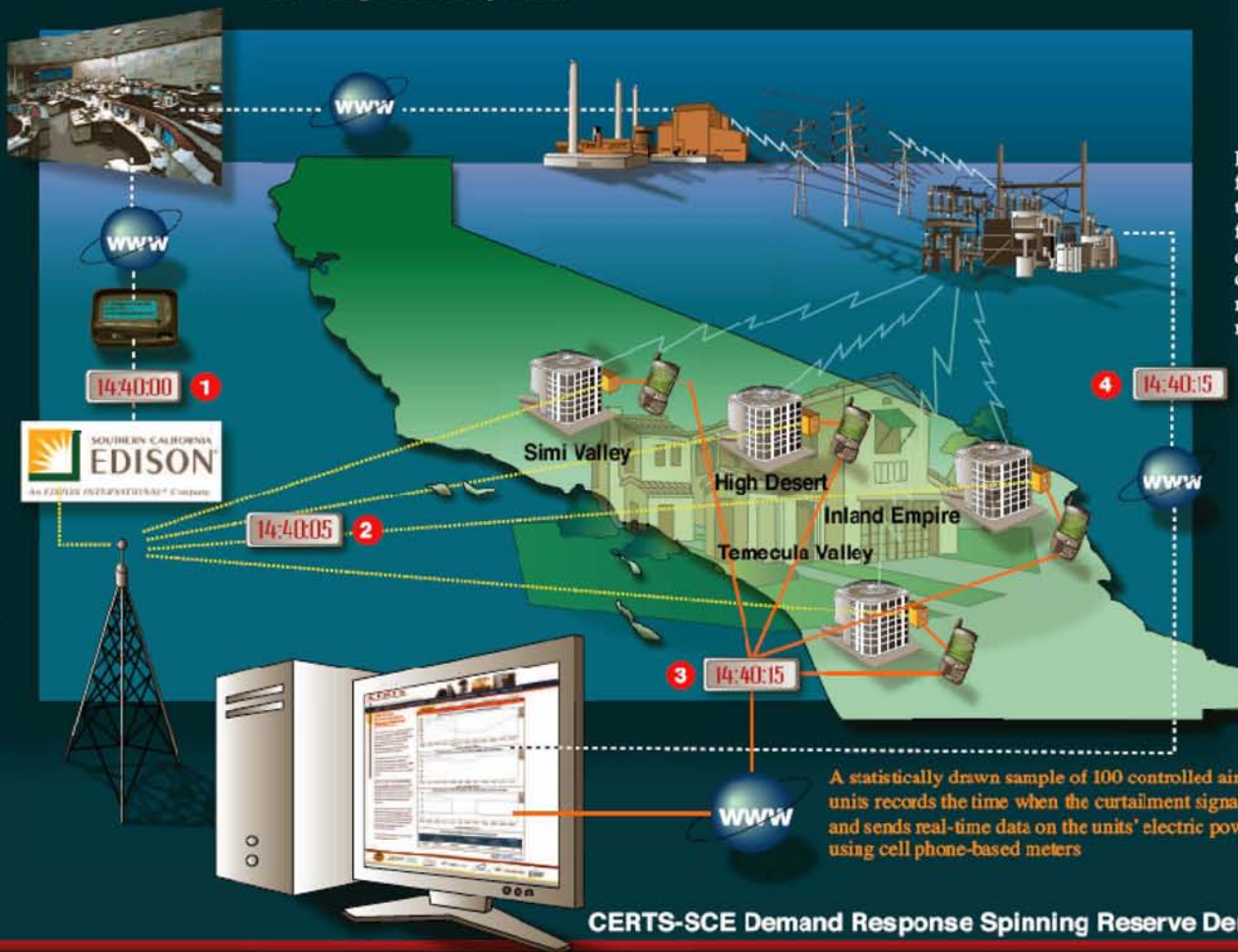
In normal operations, CAISO routinely sends dispatch instructions to electricity generators to follow changes in electricity demand

Electricity flows from generators over transmission lines to distribution circuits and ultimately to customers' homes

In this demonstration project, CAISO sends test dispatch signals to SCE using the same protocol normally used to dispatch electricity generators

SCE records the time **1** that it receives, via pager or email notification, CAISO's request

SCE sends radio dispatch signals to 1,000+ air conditioning units located in the four test distribution circuits that are part of demonstration and records the time when the signal is sent **2**



CERTS-SCE Demand Response Spinning Reserve Demonstration

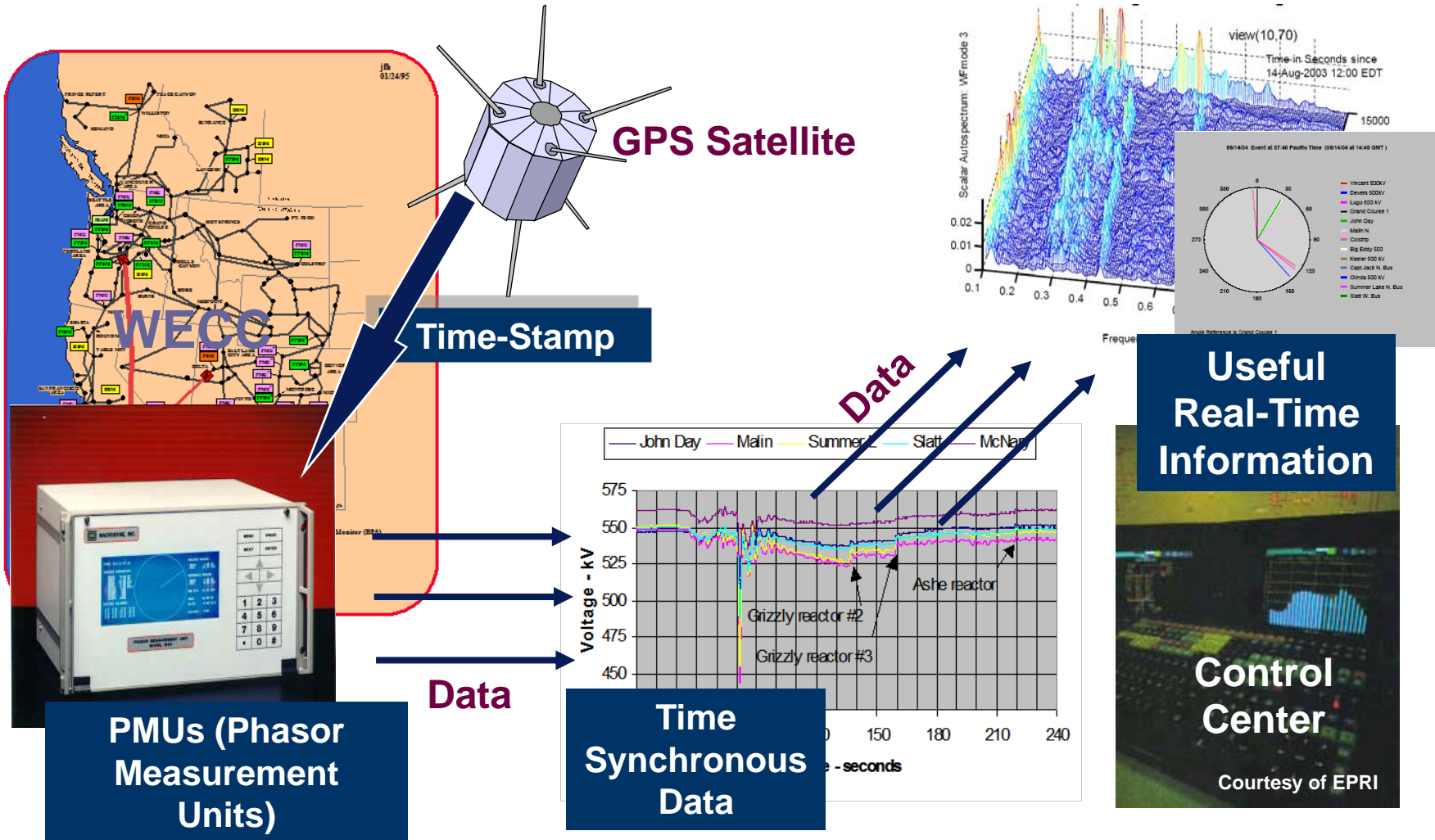
## Distribution Research To Meet Goal of 20,000MW

- Characterization of sample feeders
- Local DG impact assessment
- Information sharing /build partnerships
- Coordinated data analysis
- Feeder modeling for future DG and EV impact predictions
- Implementation of broader feeder monitoring where indicated
- Distributed resource behavior specifications
- Distribution system Research Road Map





# Synchrophasor Measurement – The Heart of the Smart Grid Transmission



Ultimately, Smart Grid required for maximum renewables deployment.

# Future Research



## Integrating Demand Response & Energy Storage

- **DRRC:**
  - ✓ Open Automate DR
  - ✓ National Standards Development
  - ✓ Estimating 2020 Capabilities
- **Lawrence Livermore National Lab**
  - ✓ Modeling Entire California Grid
  - ✓ Assessing Energy Storage/Auto-DR/New Generation Needs
- **Energy Storage**
  - ✓ AB2514 Activities
  - ✓ California ARRA Energy Storage Projects
  - ✓ Assessing Energy Storage Need to Meet RPS

# Follow-up Questions



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